Connections 2030 Outreach Meeting

Cities Presentation





Purpose of today's meeting:

- Share information on our planning process
- Part of our outreach strategy:
 - Meet with staff from state's larger cities
 - Discuss current and emerging growth and transportation needs
 - Collect current city plans and policy documents
- Goal is to garner input that will help shape our statewide policy decisions so they benefit urban areas

Statewide Transportation Planning

Connections 2030

- Update of Wisconsin's long-range statewide transportation plan Translinks 21
- Build on Translinks 21 and completed modal plans
- Include all modes of transport
- Develop the plan cooperatively with stakeholders, local government and public
- Extend planning horizon to 2030
- Complete update by early 2006

Status of Connections 2030

- Started public input process to take us up to budget submittal
- Tasks
 - Outreach
 - Establish Administration Vision
 - Identify Potential Corridors

Reason for Delay in Process

- New Administration wanted to re-evaluate the process
- Protracted 2003-2005 budget process delayed administration review
- Time consuming process to get consensus on approach

Public Involvement Activities

- Survey General public outreach, replaces statewide outreach meetings
- Stakeholder meetings smaller, interactive meetings, replaces large advisory committee
- Surveys for stakeholder groups as well

Corridors Concept

- Identify corridors for each part of the state
- May portray key plan recommendations
- Within each corridor identify routes or services of all modes
- Use corridors to prioritize investments
- Used by districts to identify future segments for more detailed corridor plans

Multi-modal Model

Allows us to analyze:

- Travel shifts between intercity modes like rail and highway
- Travel shifts between corridors
- The impact of major new travel generators or modal terminals
- Travel shifts among alternative routes in same corridor
- Air quality impacts of various plan alternatives

How Will the Plan Be Used?

- This plan will be more constrained than past plans
 - Regionalized district plans may be the next step
- It may contain a series of policy positions dependent on future funding levels, as opposed to one preferred alternative

How Will the Plan Be Used?

- Performance targets will be identified
 - Basic system preservation
 - If more funding becomes available, additional targets can be reached.
- Goal: Show decision makers where current resources will go first and then what we can do if more dollars are provided.



- A biennial performance review may be conducted to assess implementation of the plan
- Include a short-term and long-term implementation plan

What's Next

- Develop pre-budget materials and release them
- After budget process is completed, a more formal planning process will be used
 - Larger public meetings
 - Policy alternatives developed
 - System Level Environmental Evaluation (SEE) developed

Role of the Cities

- Provide feedback on important growth and transportation issues in your area
- Provide plan-related information to the department
- City plans can be the basis for statewide plan recommendations that impact urban areas (along with MPO plans)



